managerial and financial restructuring, upgradation of technology, modernization of plants and machinery, cost control measures, rationalization of manpower, improved marketing strategies etc. as the case may be.

Setting up of press information bureau at Jabalpur

†376. SHRI RFC. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken a decision to set up a Press Information Bureau at Jabalpur; and

(b) if so, by when this Bureau would be set-up by Government?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Foreign Equity in Print Media

377. SHRI KULD1P NAYYAR: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to review the policy to disallow foreign equity in print media; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) and (b) The Government continues to be guided by the Cabinet Decision of 1955 which *inter-alia,* prohibits publication of foreign owned newspapers / periodicals in the country and Indian editions of foreign newspapers / periodicals dealing mainly with news and current affairs.

Autonomy to electronic media

378. PROF. (SHRIMATI) BHARATI RAY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to give autonomy to electronic media under Prasar Bharati with the States having a say in the running of the system; and

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

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(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) and (b) Prasar Bharati (Broadcasting Corporation of India) is an autonomous Corporation constituted under the Prasar Bharati (Broadcasting Corporation of India) Act, 1990. The working of Prasar Bharati Corporation is, therefore, governed by the provisions of the said Act.

Republication of magazine by NFDC

379. SHRI C.R THIRUNAVUKKARASU: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Film Development Corporation has relaunched its magazine Cinema in India after a gap of thirteen years;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to restart the publications of the magazines like 'Akashvani' and others which are stopped for some years;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) Yes, Sir. The magazine 'Cinema in India' has been relaunched by National Film Development Corporation Ltd. after a gap of eight (8) years.

(b) to (d) Decision on publications such as 'Akashvani* are now taken by Prasar Bharati and not the Government.

Report of task force on cable TV sector

380. SHRI C.P. THIRUNAVUKKARASU: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 1444 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 3rd December, 2001 and state:

(a) whether the Task Force on issues pertaining to transparency, conditional access and addressibility in the Cable TV Sector has submitted its report;

(b) if so, the main recommendations of the Task force;

(c) the reaction of Government thereto; and